

Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-13 and 28 are pending in the application with claims 1 and 28 being the independent claims. Claims 14-27 are sought to be withdrawn without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. Claim 28 is a new claim.

Based on the foregoing amendment and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn.

Restriction Requirement

Applicants hereby provisionally elect to prosecute the first species which corresponds to claims 1-13. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed. Furthermore, the mentioned claims are not intended to be limited by parts of the specification and figures corresponding to the elected species, as these are only meant to be an example of the mentioned claims.

This election is made **without traverse**.

New claim 28

Applicants respectfully submit that independent claim 28 is generic to all the claimed species. For example, claim 28 recites in part "coupling the first supply potential to the first interconnect structure and the and second supply potential to the second interconnect structure *to form at least one output*" (*emphasis added*). Independent claim 28 is believed to be fully supported by the present application, *inter alia*, by FIGs. 7A-D and their associated description on pages 12-13 of the present

specification. Claim 28 is not believed to introduce new matter, and therefore its entry is respectfully requested.

Applicants assert the right to claim additional species in the event that a generic claim thereto is found to be allowable in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.141(a). Consideration and allowance of all pending claims, is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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